

W. Sulermelster Elected To Represent Ward 9

Gleichen and Strathmore represent Ward 9 of the Calgary Rural Municipal Hospital District.

At the recent municipal nomination held in both town of Strathmore and the town of Gleichen, W. Sulermelster was elected by acclamation to represent this ward for the ensuing term.

Mr. Sulermelster has been active on the provincial board appointed by the provincial government since its inception in 1946. During this period he has represented all towns and villages in the area comprising the following: Okotoks, Bowness, Forest Lawn, Gleichen, Aldridge, Beiseker, Cochrane, Crossfield and Irricana. Three of the above have been withdrawn from the district. Okotoks to make arrangements with another district, Bowness and Forest Lawn to make their own arrangements with Calgary.

As of January 1st, 1952 Strathmore, Cluny and Standard have been added making it as at present, the largest hospital district in the province and taking in practically all area not already in some other district surrounding it.

Gleichen and Strathmore will have the only urban representative on the new elected board of all other villages and hamlets have been merged with the rural municipality in which they are located.

Indirectly Mr. Sulermelster will represent their interests as well since whatever arrangements would be made with regarding Strathmore and Gleichen would also affect all other urban areas.

St. Victor's Church Repairs Underway

The work of renovating St. Victor's Church goes on apace. As soon as Messrs Hutton and Plante had finished building the scaffolding, Leo Woods and his capable painters took over. Working two at a time on the high perch with paint brush and rollers they had by 5 o'clock completed early Saturday afternoon.

The metal in the high vaulted ceiling after so many years of use and neglect was found to be wonderfully preserved. Even the original paint was quite intact, just badly discolored. Now it looks grand in its new colors of white and blue.

Mr. Ostrom and his helpers too have been busy installing the new electric wiring. The long wires that for so many years dangled from the high ceiling and also the mass of similar wires in the Sanctuary about the altar are being replaced by a safe and convenient service—installed in accordance with the latest government regulations.

The church now will be lighted by a wall fixture system placed between the eight windows on either side. The Sanctuary and altar are now being fluorescent lighted. The Sanctuary and basement lighting are also being brought into line.

Some 3,000 square feet of cream colored linoleum is now on hand to cover the inside walls. The nailing on of this tile is being proceeded with.

The new and well-liked pastor, the Rev. Father Violini is naturally having a very busy and trying time, but is less directing the work while at the same time attending to his regular round of parish and mission duties.

The dread foot and mouth disease has at last struck in Canada for the first time in her history. Canada indeed is almost the only country in the world that has not previously suffered from this trouble. Canada, however, fortunately possesses a highly efficient group of animal scientists, associated with Dominion and Provincial Governments and our universities, who have followed intensely the course of outbreaks in other countries and who know just what to do.

As soon as the disease was diagnosed our scientists went into action, quarantined the area and proceeded to deal with it in a most efficient way. The result unquestionably will be that the outbreak will be stamped out and prevented from spreading to other areas. Naturally see a time our prairie livestock in-

dustries will be seriously harmed. The losses, however, will be considerably reduced by the efficiency of our scientists in animal health in preventing the spreading of the disease. It is to be hoped that noting this prompt and scientific action in dealing with the trouble the United States will remove her present prohibition against the importation of Canadian livestock sooner than most people expect. What a great debt we owe to our workers in animal science who have jumped into action so quickly and well!—World of Wweat.

Midgets Central Alberta Champions

Before a good sized crowd of spectators at the arena Saturday night a local Midget Hockey Team defeated Calgary's Capitol Hill team 11-4. The first game in Calgary was tied 8-8.

Thus the Midgets became the champion of Western teams of the Central Alberta. They now are called by play Coleman for U.S. championship of Southern Alberta. The winner of this series will play winners of North Alberta for U.S. championship of the province.

Gleichen's light's game was a good one. The Midgets dominated the game all evening. They were determined to win. This was shown when the Midgets had two men in the penalty box at once. The three Midgets left on the ice and their goal got down to business and kept play in centre ice or in the vicinity of their opponents goal. This paid off for they made a counter to the delight of the fans.

In the first period Gleichen had three goals. Scores: Ovielchild 1 and J. Brown 2. Calgary, Cunningham 1.

Second period. Gleichen scorers: J. Brown from D. R. Basarrah; T. Ovielchild; E. Plante from B. K. Basarrah; F. Tallow; F. Bearchie from Ovielchild; L. Gordon from R. Carriere. Calgary goal by Caldwell. Third period goals. Gleichen, L. Gordon; D. G. Basarrah from Brown. Calgary goals. Cunningham from Merrill; Cunningham from Caldwell. Gleichen got four penalties during the evening while Calgary got two. Gleichen lineup: Doug Wilson; Doug Basarrah; Bernard Moss; Dennis Basarrah; Edward Plante; James Brown; Armand Corbelle; Larry Gordon; Harry Stueve; Thomas Ovielchild; Eddy Jerry; Michael Rabbit Carriere; Francis Bear Chief; Francis Tallow; Colin Grant; Hubert Low Horn. Buster Stott manager and coach.

(Communicated)

The Basano Damsters playing on Drumheller ice held the highly rated Red Cross team to 8-5 scores. The defence of Jimmy Big Eye, Dick Haskeyne, and Larry Plante really made the fans open their eyes. As the boys made rushes and set up play after play and then back skating to be on hand to hand out body checks. These three boys remind us of the Ralph Marquardt, Albert Maynard, Tom Johnson, Tommy Brown defence as Haskeyne and Big Eye take them of stride and Plante is right on the job to lift 0-0-0 right into the rafters.

The first period opened fast. Miners scored first and it was tied two minutes later. The period ended 1-1 for the miners.

The second period ended 3-3 tie. The last period the Basano boys were tired but held the score at 7-5 with 30 seconds to play Miners scored from a scramble.

In the second game played Sunday, the score was 3-1 in favor of Basano. Thus Drumheller won the round 8-8.

The Basano lineup carries seven Gleichen players. The Gleichen boys say they are at a disadvantage when they play in Basano owing to the ice being so small and feel sure if the rink was of regulation size the Basano team could defeat Drumheller. Gleichen players on Basano lineup:

George Mary Shots, goalie; Larry Plante, Dick Haskeyne, Robert Brass, Kenny Big Snake, John Yellow Old Wore, Jimmy Big Eye. Basano players: Ray Taufest, David Kasdorf, Ronnie Marquardt, Don Anderson, Bobby Turner, Duane Shepherd, Gerhard Kasdorf, Bob Fladhammer.

One of the oldest crafts is the making of leather and it came to Canada with Champlain and Maloche more than three centuries ago. Basically the craft hasn't changed much down through the years.

Gleichen Curlers At Lethbridge

Hugh James and Elmer Bollinger were on the Simpson rink that won the main prizes at the recent Lethbridge bonspiel. The Herald of that city has the following to say of the rink:

Art Simpson of Basano, a modest little fellow who says baseball, and not curling, is his game walked away with the Grand Aggregate title and the Lethbridge Herald event to finish on top of the heap as the best of the 128 rinks that started to play in the annual rockooning festival.

The Simpson-MacDonald game, a battle among veterans and rookies now Simpson wins the game in the first four ends when he built up a commanding 10-1 lead. MacDonald a 24-year-old skip who curled superbly in the 'sped to oust such highly favored rinks as ex-Canadian champion Howard Palmer of Calgary and Stewart of Melville, fought back gamely in the final ends to count five but the deficit was far too great to overcome.

Model with a model. Pretty Ann Martin of Montreal takes time out to pose with a seven-foot, nine-inch model of a de-lavilland jet aircraft, which will go into service on Canadian Pacific Airlines' trans-Pacific service this year. The model will

Simpson scored his ninth win against a single loss by nipping Green in the fourth year of bonspiel skiping. 7-5 in the Herald semi-final. The Basano rink held a 7-3 advantage going into the fifth end. Green picked up two in the ninth and then failed in the 10th end to tie the score when he was forced to settle for a one.

Notes From B.V.C. High School

The students of B.V.C. recently staged a party in the Cluny Community Hall which got off to a flying start with groups of four competing in various stunts.

The members of the winning team were Peannine Baudin, Jacqueline Cretin, Denny Basarrah and Douglas McMillan. Dancing followed.

The voluntary orchestra of Haddie Berger, Cecil Weder, Jack Fisher and Gordon Warner contributed to making it a party a splendid success. The winners of the spot dances were: Frances McPhee and Kenneth Kotschuh, and then Loretta McKewen and David Hong. Veronica Nelson and Larry Plante enjoyed having the floor all to themselves in the elimination dance. We again learned a new dance. This time the "Grasshopper Dance". A delicious lunch was served by the social committee. After a few more dances we departed for home—tired, but happy.

A meeting of Mr. Collic and the play committee was held last week and the following were chosen for the cast of our play for the Amateur Night on March 17th—Allene Wilson, Veronica Nelson, Ann Pettit, Pauline Nobert, Adele Corbelle, and Beverly Clark. The men in the cast will be Douglas Basarrah, Dick Haskeyne and Johnnie Derrick.

The first edition of our school paper "Fingerprint" was out last week and there are a few copies left. Anyone wishing a copy can secure one from Irene Kiskley.

The Gleichen boys are still wandering around in a daze. Well why shouldn't they. They went to Drumheller on Saturday night and edged out the Juvenile Miners 42. Gleichen won the first game 9-4 on home ice, which gave them a slight point lead at the end of the two game series.

The photographer was here on Thursday and Friday of last week to take photographs of the Gleichen individuals. Pictures were taken of Year-book staff, students, and graduates. Fingerprint staff and Graduates.

It seems one of the students within our midst had different feelings toward B.V.C. and are going to be real brave and have them printed.

Don't forget the Amateur Show sponsored by the Bow Valley High School on March 17th. Board of Trade dance to follow. Cluny Community Hall. Send all entries to Ann Keeford, Gleichen. Good prizes.

The students of Bow Valley Central High School held a bonspiel in the Gleichen curling rink on Saturday. Teams entered in the bonspiel were as follows:

Leo Corbelle, Cluny; Roy King, Arrowwood; Doug Redmond, Basano; David Murray, Gleichen; Jack



CANADIAN PACIFIC PHOTO

Model with a model. Pretty Ann Martin of Montreal takes time out to pose with a seven-foot, nine-inch model of a de-lavilland jet aircraft, which will go into service on Canadian Pacific Airlines' trans-Pacific service this year. The model will

Haggerty, Cluny; Larry Plante, Gleichen; Dick Haskeyne, Gleichen; Geo. Gordin, Cluny; Dennis Brown, Gleichen; Ken Stewart, Cluny; Dieta, Milo; Thompson, Milo.

Results: Grand Challenge: 1st Thompson, Milo. 2nd, Leo Corbelle, Cluny.

Merchants: 1st Doug Redmond, Basano. 2nd David Murray Gleichen.

WHAT GOES ON BEHIND OUR IROON CURTAIN

By Douglas McMillan

A huge white building acts as camouflage for the activities of the large (Continued on last page.)

go on tour of Winnipeg, Vancouver and Honolulu, in addition to appearing at the Canadian National Exhibition in Toronto this year. Of plastic and metal construction, it has a wingspan of nine feet seven inches, with rubber-tired wheels on a retractable undercarriage which can be operated by hand to fold into the belly of the

aircraft. A removable panel in the side displays the interior of the model which consists of crew compartment, showing pilot and co-pilot seat in front of a detailed control panel. The wireless operator's dials and range sets are aligned in one corner while the navigators working table is shown working table in the other.

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CROSS-PURPOSE

Two People Trying To Stop Each Other From Doing The Same Thing. By MAUDE NORMAN

ROBERT sat looking at his wife. How could she sit there so quietly, head bent above her sewing, knowing she had the means of putting Uncle Ben to sleep—he shrank from the word—somewhere about the house?

She gave an exclamation and looked at her finger, where the needle had pricked it. "I hate blood," she quavered, putting the injured digit to her mouth. "It's so—"

"Most women hate the sight of blood," Robert answered, watching her closely. "That's why they choose a different way of getting rid of someone who stands in their way. Women generally use poison."

The fair head bent lower, she began to rip out stitches.

"Is there anything you would like to tell me, Jeanne?" he asked gently.

"Anything to tell you?" she echoed. "Of course not. Have you anything to tell me?"

"What would I have to tell?" he countered.

"That you had seen Mr. Ralston about that job as I asked you."

He moved restlessly. "I intended to, but I knew Uncle Ben would be angry and I didn't want to excite him."

"Uncle Ben!" Jeanne folded her work with shaking hands. "Of course you mustn't offend Uncle Ben. Ever since we've been married, everything has been Uncle Ben. We came here to live because he wanted us. You couldn't get a job because Uncle Ben wanted you near to jump when he spoke. In return for this devotion, Uncle Ben will leave you his money when he dies. That is, if you're a good boy and don't displease him. Well," her voice rose—"I'm sick of catering to his whims and I'm sick—"

"I suppose you're sick of me?" Robert but in.

"I'm sick of your spineless attitude," she cried. "I was considered a lucky girl when I married you. The heir of rich, old Benjamin Dobbs. Rich and good-looking, what more could any girl ask? And what did I really marry? A weakling! If you haven't enough backbone to end it I have."

"Did you know a bottle of sleeping pills was missing from the doctor's bag?" he asked.

Jeanne's body tensed. "So I heard. How does he know but what they weren't put in his bag?"

"I asked him that, but he said his office girl was always careful, filling his bag. He missed them after he had been up to see Uncle. He asked me if we had seen anyone around his bag. I said no, naturally."

"Naturally," Jeanne repeated. "Why did he have to leave his bag where anyone could get at it? If anything happens, he's to blame, putting temptation in a person's way—" Sobbing, she ran from the room.

Robert wiped his face with a trembling hand. His suspicions were confirmed, and he was to blame. Poor, pretty Jeanne. He must find the pills and destroy them, without letting her know he was aware of her plan.

He searched everywhere. Had Jeanne kept changing the hiding place? He knew he didn't imagine the guilty look on her face. Then he found her in the solarium, digging around the flowers.

"You'll get your hands dirty," he said, quietly.

She swung around with a startled cry. "The earth around the flowers needed loosening," she began lamely, then stopped. "Robert," she found it difficult to continue, "whatever happens, I want you to know I love you and always will. I didn't mean what I said."

A lump caught in Robert's throat. She was doing this for him. "I love you too," he said huskily—"for the sake of our love, give me the pills."

"Give you the pills," she gasped. "Why—"

The phone rang. Robert answered. He turned back. "It was the doctor," he stammered. "The pills weren't in his bag after all. His regular girl was ill, the substitute forgot to put them in. I thought you had taken them, to give to Uncle Ben."

"And I thought you had!" Jeanne collapsed in his arms. "I was trying to find them before you could give them to him. What fools we've been."

"I've been a fool for years," Robert stroked her hair. "But that's ended. We'll get a place of our own, if it's only one room. Uncle Ben can do as he pleases with his money. From now on, I earn my own."

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Viscount Alexander returned to Britain and the big job as defence minister as the most popular and understanding governor-general in Canada's history.

Canadians admired his reserved but open manner, the way he did things, and perhaps most of all, the wholesome, solid scene that surrounded his family life. Here, they said, was a man who likes Canadians.

He skied on the Gattineau country's gentle slopes, painted Canadian scenes, sloshed about Winnipeg's flood waters, shinned down a brass fire station pole and won his air force wings.

In his farewell address he said that he and his family had spent the happiest six years of their life among the Canadian people. "For us, Canada has become our second home, and we shall always look upon it as such."

"The affection and friendship of the Canadian people is one of my most treasured possessions, and I can never express in adequate terms my gratitude to you for all you have given me and my family during the six years we have lived in Canada."

He praised the choice of Canadian-born Rt. Hon. Vincent Massey as his successor as governor-general. Although he did not refer to him directly he said "... I am glad that it is to someone who is not only a personal friend of mine but one who is a distinguished and well-known man who has all the attributes and qualifications which will make him a worthy representative of our Queen."

: Western Briefs :

Indian Artists

LETHBRIDGE. — Two youthful Blood Indians have encamped in the Lethbridge area to paint western scenes. They are Jim Hunt and Adam Bottle.

Seeking Exemption

CALGARY.—Drivers of milk wagons here are seeking exemption from Calgary's new law against jay-walkers, so they can cross the street anywhere to make deliveries.

Calgarian Appointed

CALGARY.—Kathleen Herman, director of the Alberta Junior Red Cross for the last six years, has been appointed assistant national director of the Junior Red Cross for Canada.

Ahead of the Game

YORKTON, Sask. — A Yorkton curler is ahead of the game. When his rink was the first knocked out of the annual 'spiel they were given a consolation prize, but the wrong one. By the time the error was discovered he had eaten half his prize—a choice picnic ham.

Old Bird Dies

WELWYN, Sask.—Mrs. A. B. MacDonald of the Welwyn district thinks that a pet goose which ruled the farmyard for many years may have set a record for longevity. When the bird died recently she estimated that it was more than 21½ years old.

Celebrates 101st Birthday

WINNIPEG.—A pioneer who came from Ontario to a Manitoba farm in 1879, Mrs. W. D. Rutlan celebrated her 101st birthday on Feb. 17. She has been provincial president of the Women's Christian Temperance un-

ion and was an active worker with the late Mrs. Nellie McClung for women's suffrage.

Women for Juries

WINNIPEG.—A bill giving women the right to sit on juries in Manitoba was introduced for second reading in the Provincial Legislature by Attorney-General C. Rhodes Smith. The attorney-general explained that the basis of serving would be voluntary. Women would be excused from serving if they applied within three days of receiving notice.

Bigger Stadium

WINNIPEG.—Public safety committee has approved provision of an additional 3,000 seats for Osborne Stadium for a three-year period during which certain fire regulations will be suspended. Wooden bleachers will be built to a height of 47 feet above ground to accommodate 12,000 in the park.

Entries for Cattle Sale Up

REGINA.—Entries have closed for the 44th annual purebred cattle sale to be held in Regina March 27 and 28 and 353 animals are listed for sale. The total is much ahead of last year when 265 head were entered. At that time, Shorthorns averaged \$711.50, Aberdeen Angus \$720, and Herefords \$845.63.

Farm Freak

BROOKS, Alta. — An ewe gave birth to a six-legged lamb on the farm of Steve Molnar. The lamb had two extra shoulder blades, giving it four perfectly-formed front legs.

Do You Know That...

The term "a feather in his cap" is an old Indian custom. Among the Sioux Indians of North America it was the ambition of every brave to earn a feather, awarded for bravery in war and many deeds of daring. When won it was worn in the head-dress and for each additional deed another feather was added.

THE TILLERS



"English John" Has Lived With Indians For Past 50 Years

Although a White Man He Speaks the Language and Even Thinks Like An Indian

BISSETT, Man.—People who are finicky about their diet should try the fare of "English John", a trapper on the fringe of this rock-girt mining settlement, 100 miles northeast of Winnipeg. English John has lived with the Indians of Manitoba as one of them since he was a small boy. He speaks the language better than most natives.

He even thinks like an Indian. In conversation he makes constant reference to "the white man" although he is one himself.

In his time—John figures he's "somewhere around 63"—he has eaten most of the foods of his adopted brothers including caribou, fish, beaver, squirrel, lynx and hawks. But he has often gone hungry while on the trap-line trail.

"Sometimes we would go three and four days without food," he says. "We had to live on the wild stuff. If there was none we went hungry. But I backed up on night owls and skunks. That was too much for me."

Typical fare of trappers in this district is illustrated by the assortment of foods served up at a trappers' banquet here recently.

First they brought in beavertail soup, flavored with mint leaf. This was followed by a 25-pound roast of beaver served with rose petal jam.

Other items on the menu were: Tomato juice; wild rice worth \$2.50 a pound; roast turkey and dressing; potatoes; gravy; wax beans; cranberry; apple, gooseberry, chokecherry, mossberry and mountain ash jellies; pickled nasturtium pods; roast flying squirrel; apple, raisin and lemon pie, and coffee.

English John has no intention of leaving his Indian friends. But he admits he gets tired of trapping sometimes and takes the odd trip out—always to Bissett.

He says that at one time, when he first came to Manitoba, he spent 36 years in the bush with Indians without seeing a white man.

"When I first saw my own kind again I was so shy of them I couldn't even look them in the eye."

His real name is John Henry Thomas but he is so well known by the "English John" handle that banks in Bissett cash cheques made out to him under that name.

His unusual story starts somewhere in Cornwall, England. His father, a doctor, died when John was quite young and the boy ran away from home.

Two years later, at the age of 10,

he was sent to Canada and arrived at a farm at Stonewall, Man. After a dish-washing job in Winnipeg, further travels in the United States at the age of 12, he returned to Manitoba, Man., where he was adopted by a Saulteaux Indian.

Barren Land Caribou Start Northern Trek

CHURCHILL, Man.—Barren Land caribou have started to migrate north after spending the winter south of Churchill.

The caribou were reported moving in a mass from mile 149 to mile 461 on the Hudson Bay railway. Herds estimated at 2,000 already have crossed the Churchill river west of here.

This year's trek is about two weeks earlier than usual. Trappers say the caribou started north early to cross the lakes and rivers while still frozen.

The movement this year apparently is slightly west of last year's which hung close to the coast and went inland from Churchill.

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Add cooled milk mixture and stir in 1 well-beaten egg and 1 tsp. grated lemon rind. Stir in 2 c. once-sifted bread flour; beat until smooth. Work in 2 c. (about) once-sifted bread flour. Knead on lightly-floured board until smooth and elastic. Place in greased bowl and grease top of

dough. Cover and set in warm place, free from draught. Let rise until doubled in bulk. Punch down dough and roll out into an oblong about 9" wide and 24" long; loosen dough. Combine ½ c. lightly-packed brown sugar and ½ c. liquid honey; spread over dough and sprinkle with ¼ c. broken walnuts. Beginning at a long side, loosely roll up like a jelly roll. Lift carefully into a greased 8½" tube pan and join ends of dough to form a ring. Brush top with melted butter. Cover and let rise until doubled in bulk. Bake in moderately hot oven, 375°, 45-50 minutes. Brush top with honey and sprinkle with chopped walnuts.

—By Les Carroll



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Notes From B.V.C.

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longings are deposited. As the hunger is sounded the doomed file past jailors into the cell blocks and are chained to their places for three solid hours, finally to be released for one hour of semi-freedom at noon. If by chance your chains rattle you are dragged to the warden's office where you receive a severe tongue lashing. Although we are not given breaks our advisors take time off from discussing the next moves.

Once a year, each inmate is photographed and a description is made. This is then compiled in a book which is the sequel to "Pravda". Finally at 3:45 or thereabouts our bonds are removed and we are free to leave, but with us goes enough work to keep us busy, so we won't have time to let the world know—What Goes On Behind Our Iron Curtain.

Spring must be just around the corner. Several flocks of wild geese have been seen during the past week. On Kessel landed in a field west of town.

Allen Quennell left last week for Ontario to visit relatives. He will be gone several weeks.

One day last week was pay day for the Indians. This money was obtained from rental of iron leases.

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Red Cross Appeal Starts Next Week

One of the last official acts of Viscount Alexander of Tunis, before relinquishing his title as Governor-General of Canada in January, was to endorse the March appeal of the Canadian Red Cross Society, of which His Excellency was president.

Praising the many services operated by the Red Cross, His Excellency emphasized the importance of its commitment to secure, process and supply all the blood and blood products required by the armed forces.

It is always a pleasure to endorse the national appeal of the Canadian Red Cross Society each March," he wrote, "for it means to me the link of serving as a channel for each man's kind and generous impulses in promoting the general health and welfare of our fellow citizens."

He added that Canadians can be justly proud of the steady expansion of the free national Blood Transfusion Service, "one of the greatest health ventures ever undertaken by a voluntary organization," the out-patient hospitals and nursing stations which bring medical aid to still expanding frontiers, and the Veterans' Services of the Red Cross.

"The Red Cross is well worthy of your generous support for it is truly national and international in service, a living part of the great international organization dedicated to the relief of suffering and distress wherever it may occur in war or peace."

His Excellency's message was dated January 24, just three days before he relinquished his post.

Mrs. R. Brown is head of the local collectors who will start making the rounds of the town next week.

NOTES ON GARDENING INFORMAL PLAN BEST

It is not necessary nor advisable to cover the whole place with flower beds. Better results can be obtained by seeding with flowers, shrubbery and creepers which will lend privacy and screen unsightly fences and abrupt straight lines. As for experience, everyone must start somewhere. This will come as spring and flowers will come, and we will enjoy the process. It is preferable to plot our plans on paper, roughly drawing them to scale. If one is the owner of the property something permanent should be worked out, the development to take place over a period of years. Against the house, breaking the right lines and corners, we have creepers such as Boston Ivy and Virginia Creeper. In front of this we can put shrubbery or perhaps a tree or so and then, flowers, perennials or annuals, or maybe some spring flowering bulbs to go in next fall. Generally speaking the informal plan is much the best. This will mean the taller-growing plants like dahlias, cosmos, etc., tall growing perennials and such things at the back gradually tapering down to the little, tiny things. In our plans we must take several factors into consideration, the time of flowering is important so that we will have something in bloom all the time. Colors must be noted to prevent clashing and heights also, or we may have one flower hidden by another. Carrying out the informal idea, it is well to plant flowers in clumps of several specimens of the same variety and color.

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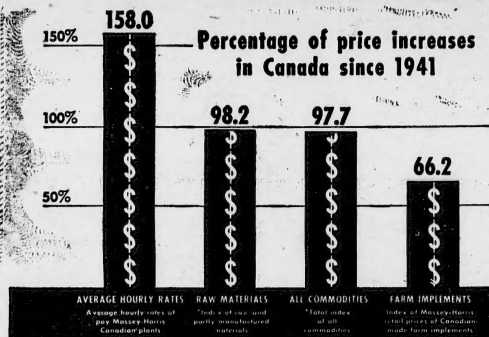
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